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EXAMINING GROUP 3762**

**PATENT**

Customer No. 22,852

Attorney Docket No. 7528.0002-15

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Cyril J. SCHWEICH, Jr. et al.

Application No.: 10/073,968

Filed: February 14, 2002

For: HEART WALL TENSION  
REDUCTION APPARATUS

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

In reply to the final Office Action mailed on November 26, 2007, Applicant  
proposes to amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on  
page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment section of this paper.